(MR. SPEAKER.)

Sri P. R. Ramaiya which is as follows:

"That this House do now adjourn to discuss a matter of public importance and of recent occurrence, *viz.*, throwing out of employment many temporary teachers working in Mysore District Board High Schools."

Has the Hon'ble Minister for Education anything to say in the matter ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—The allegation is so vague and there is no emergency either at all. Therefore the motion is not in order, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Has the Hon'ble Member Sri P. R. Ramaiya anything to say ?

Sri P. R. RAMAIYA (Basavangudi).—Sir, under a Government order issued on 6th April, many temporary teachers of the Mysore District Board High Schools have been given notice of terminating their appointments; and they have represented to me that they have served in these schools for a number of years and their appointments are at stake, owing to the pressing nature of the operation of the C.R.B. Rules. They say it is not possible for them under the prevailing circumstances to try for a change in profession. Therefore, they request the Government to consider their case in a sympathetic manner.

1 P.M.

Sir, this is a matter of urgent public importance and I have brought it to the notice of the Government. They may do the needful.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I need not read the adjournment motion. According to rules 40 and 42 of the Rules of Procedure, the matter to be raised must be, among other things, d e f i n i t e. The above motion for adjournment of the House, I am afraid, is not definite as the member has not stated when the teachers were thrown out of employment. Besides, the member himself has stated that the teachers were holding appointments of a temporary nature and as such likely to be terminated. I therefore hold that this is not in order.

Morning Session on Tamil New Year's Day.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM (Jagalur).—One request to the House. Tomorrow happens to be the Tamil New Year day and many of my friends feel that the session may be held in the morning, so that they may observe the usual spiritual rites in the afternoon.

Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA (Leader of the House).—The Hon'ble Member has made a suggestion that the House may sit in the morning; I have no objection.

Mr. SPEAKER.—At 8-30 ?

Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA.—Yes.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

(Statement by the Chief Minister).

Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA (Chief Minister).—Sir, I believe my Hon'ble friend the Law Minister said that a statement would be made in regard to the request made on the floor the House regarding the amendment to the Constitution. There is a definite procedure prescribed by the Constitution under Article 368 as to how constitutional amendments have to be effected. According to that article, Sir, in certain respects the State Legislatures have been conferred the right to ratify. I do not find the power of initiation being given to the State Legislature so far as the constitutional amendments are concerned. This Legislature as well as the Government work according to the articles of this Constitution. T h e r e f o r e, strictly construed, it is a matter for consideration whether this House can sponsor constitutional amendments. If it is to be looked at from the point of view of the rights and privileges and responsibilities conferred on this House, this House has no power to initiate constitutional amendments. If you take, what is called, the general view of the matter and not the legal and constitutional view of the matter, it is open to this House to discuss any matter. When there is a specific